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If educational institutions could switch to digital mode when the virus struck, it was only because of the readiness of the teachers to soldier on

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online 'teaching tools' and started online training sesoutcomes of student engagecope with the sense of insecurity and emotional turmoil. parna Chatterjee, principal, DPS Joka, South Kolkata.

"Last year, when the pandemic struck, online classes were introduced. Initial problem was non availability of smartphones or laptops and dearth of technical knowledge, shares Jyoti Prasad Banerjee, general secretary of Suburban Educational Society. "We realised the

need for upskilling our teachers for effective use of gadgets, applications and various sions for our teachers to boost up their confidence and efficacy for the desired ment and learning. We also started online counselling sessions in the evening for the students to help them To get our students rid of the boredom for staying indoor 24x7, we have arranged online music, dance, art, yoga and physical fitness classes. Online training and competitions for debate, quiz, elocution, special online assemblies on the days of national and international importance have made them smile with the essence of 'school away from school'," shares Writu-

